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IN THE U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Raffaele MORRONE et al.

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Application No. 10/048,120

Group 1651

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Examiner H. Lilling

USE OF ORTHOESTERS FOR THE SYNTHESIS
OF CHIRAL ACIDS IN BIOCATALYZED
IRREVERSIBLE ESTERIFICATION PROCESSES

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION

Mail Stop AF

February 23, 2005

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

In response to the Official Action mailed November 5,
2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing
of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.